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Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for filing a Notice of Appeal in response to the final Office Action be extended three-months from March 28, 2002 to June 28, 2002, by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)) is believed to be \$920 for a three-month extension for a large entity. Fee payment is provided in accompanying Check No. 9201263. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided for herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to Arnold & Porter Deposit Account No. 50-1824, referencing docket number 16517.081. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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